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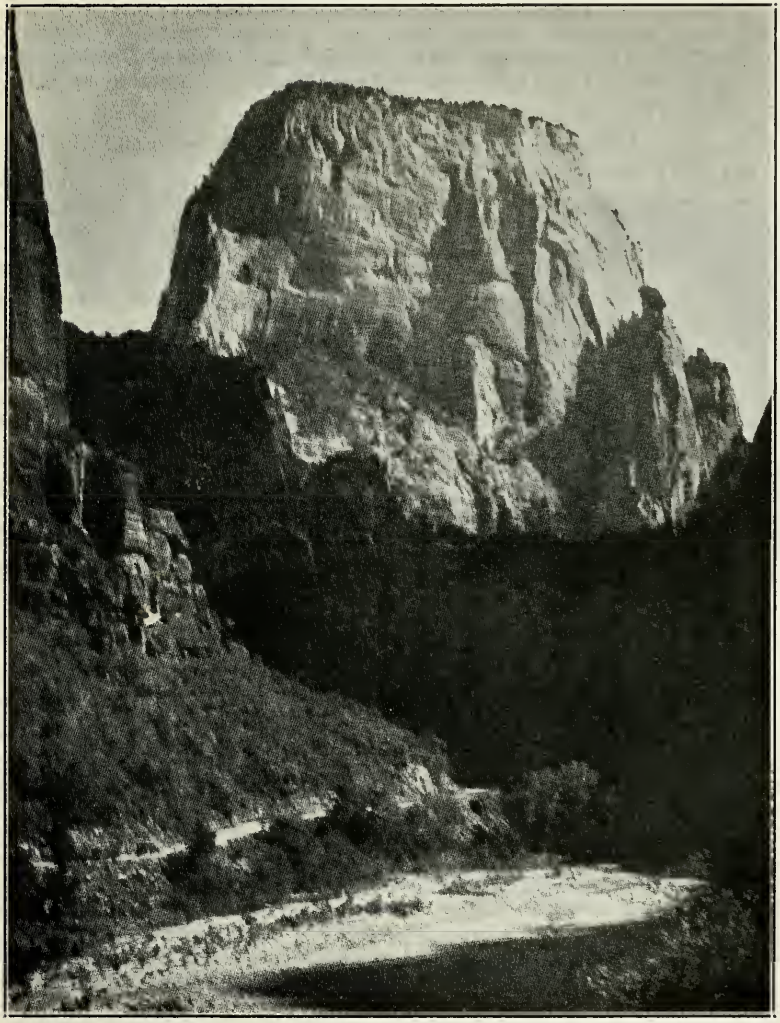

The Great White Throne, Zion National Park

"One of the Most Inspiring Sights in the World."

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THE QUEST FOR ETERNAL LIFE

By Dr. Leland H. Creer

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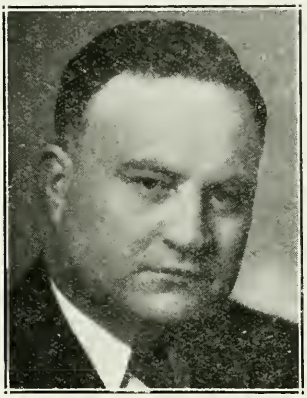
PERMIT me to quote as a text the eighth Psalm of David, who sings thus of the glory of God and the magnificence of man, His handiwork:

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.



Dr. Leland H. Creer

"We are spiritually the veritable . . brothers and sisters of Christ."

Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies; that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers; the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;

What is man that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands: thou hast put all things under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;

The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!

Shakespeare expresses the same thought in the following lines:

What a piece of work is man. How noble in reason. How infinite in faculty. In form and moving how express and admirable. In action how like an angel. In comprehension, how like a God. The beauty of the world. The paragon of animals.

Let us restate the question. What is man? What is the purpose of his creation? Why is he here? Whither is he going? In answer to these queries, let us turn to the philosophy of Mormonism. The best explanation is to be found in the Pearl of Great Price, a book of revelations of God to Abraham and Moses, written originally in Egyptian heiroglyphics and translated into English by the Prophet Joseph Smith. I quote a few verses from the first book of Moses:

And it came to pass that Moses spake unto the Lord, saying: Be merciful unto thy servant, O God, and tell me concerning this earth, and the inhabitants thereof, and also the heavens, and then thy servant will be content.

And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying: The heavens, they are many, and they cannot be numbered unto man; but they are numbered unto me, for they are mine.

And as one earth shall pass away, and the heavens thereof, even so shall another come; and there is no end to my works, neither to my words.

For behold, this is my work and my glory—to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man. (Pearl of Great Price, Moses 1 : 36-39.)

Now immortality, the eternal union of the body and the spirit, which the Prophet Joseph Smith assures us is necessary for the complete realization of "a fullness of joy" (Doctrine and Covenants 93 : 33-34), is guaranteed to all through the glorified resurrection of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. Eternal life, the second great objective of God, is defined by the Apostle John (John 17 : 3), as the knowledge of God and His Son Jesus Christ, or, in other words, it involves a thorough comprehension and application of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. No man can be saved in ignorance. It is clear that the first objective, immortality, which is primarily physical in character, is involuntarily acquired, for it comes as the universal result of Christ's resurrection ; but the acquisition of eternal life, an entirely spiritual phenomenon, is obtained only through individual volition—the subscription of man to certain spiritual laws and ordinances—ordained and formulated by our Saviour, Jesus Christ. These laws, let it be understood, are just as fundamental and immutable as the physical or natural laws of the universe. Mormon theology accepts as these basic ordinances : faith, repentance, baptism by immersion, and the laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost. Christ, then, is in very deed the author of our salvation, the Redeemer of the world, for by His resurrection death has been conquered, and by His Gospel message and, may I add with emphasis, by His organized Church, agencies have been created for the assistance of man in his quest for Eternal Life.

Why Eternal Life

IMMORTALITY is Christ's legacy to every man, woman and child, according to the doctrines of the Latter-day Saint Church. While all will receive immortality, the degree of exaltation achieved by each depends upon his or her own works.

Reasons for this belief are set down in a clear, meaningful manner by Dr. Creer. President of Weber College in Ogden since 1935, he was also professor of history at the University of Washington for nine years, (1926-35) and visiting professor at the University of Hawaii for one year. Prior to that he was president of Gila Junior College in Arizona (1920-24). He is author of an article on Mormonism prepared for the *Encyclopædia of Social Sciences*. While at the University of Washington, Dr. Creer was second counsellor in the presidency of the Seattle Branch of the Church.

The Latter-day Saints accept the doctrine of pre-existence. We are spiritually the veritable sons and daughters of God, the brothers and sisters of Christ, and before mortality we dwelt as unembodied spirits with God.

We came upon this earth as tabernacled spirits for a purpose. Our earthly or mortal existence is our probation. Through the exercise of our free agency made possible through the sin and fall of Adam, we as mortals are able to discriminate definitely between right and wrong, to distinguish good from evil, to hearken unto the tenets of a divinely instituted Gospel which God in His mercy through His Son has provided for us, and thus

to develop and progress spiritually until we by our own volition may literally become like God and after the resurrection, as immortalized, glorified, resurrected beings dwell with Him in eternity.

The Latter-day Saints believe that the Gospel was here upon earth with the advent of man during the days of Adam, but that the Priesthood of God, the power to act and officiate in the name of Deity, was taken away, the Melchizedek or Higher spiritual order during the days of Moses and later, after a brief restoration during the ministry of Christ, during the Apostolic period of the first century A. D., when also the Aaronic or Lower Temporal order was taken from the earth. They believe further that because of an apostasy or diversion from the original church as founded by Christ Himself during His ministry as His established agency in the fruition of God's plan of salvation, a restoration became necessary and that that restoration has been consummated through Joseph Smith at the opening of the nineteenth century. No claim or contention is made in behalf of Joseph Smith as the founder of the Mormon Church. He was merely the mouthpiece or agent of God in this wonderful plan of restoration. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is the original church of Jesus Christ as founded during His ministry upon earth some two thousand years ago but taken away because of the apostasy which followed, to be restored again by direct and divine revelation through the instrumentality of Joseph Smith, the Prophet, at the opening of the nineteenth century. Jesus Christ, not Joseph Smith, is the source and inspiration of authority of the Mormon Church.

THE first divine revelation was received by the Prophet Joseph when he was only fourteen years old. In the spring of 1820, in a wooded grove near Palmyra, New York, God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ, as immortalized, glorified, resurrected Beings appeared before the boy Joseph and in answer to his own query instructed the youth not to join any of the existing churches for they were all wrong. "When the light rested upon me," says the Prophet in describing the glorious scene, "I saw two Personages, whose brightness and glory defy all description, standing above me in the air. One of them spake unto me, calling me by name, and said, pointing to the other, This is My Beloved Son, Hear Him." Thus did the Father and the Son reveal themselves to the Prophet—and point the way for the establishment of a new divinely inspired Church.

Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery received two later visitations, one by John the Baptist and the other by the Apostles Peter, James and John, the former bestowing upon them the Priesthood of Aaron, and the latter the Priesthood of Melchizedeck. These latter manifestations again brought the Priesthood to earth and thus enabled man to act in the name of God in the performance of important spiritual activities. Later in 1836 at the Kirtland, Ohio Temple the Prophet Joseph and his associate, Oliver Cowdery, received visitations from such heavenly messengers as Moses, Elias, and Elijah, and had conferred upon them the keys for the gathering of the children of Israel, the commitment of the Dispensation of the Gospel of Abraham, and

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Winter Quarters Monument

State, civic and business leaders pay tribute.

HONOURING SIX HUNDRED PIONEER MARTYRS

With the governor of Nebraska, the mayor of Omaha and more than a score of Church Authorities participating, the memory of 600 brave souls who perished during a severe winter ninety years ago was honoured Sunday September 20, when the Winter Quarters monument was unveiled in a little cemetery overlooking Florence, Nebraska.

Six hundred graves, most of them unmarked, offer vivid evidence of the hardships endured by a sturdy group of Saints who spent the winters of 1846-47 at Winter Quarters, Nebraska, now known as Florence, a suburb of Omaha. The cemetery property was recently acquired by the Church, beautified, and the monument erected. A crowd of 2,500 witnessed the unveiling and dedication of the monument. It depicts a father and a mother who have just laid away a beloved child in a prairie grave.

Preceding the actual ceremonies a half-hour programme was broadcast over the National Broadcasting Chain. President Heber J. Grant and Counsellors J. Reuben Clark, Jr. and David O. McKay were speakers on the programme.

Speakers at the dedication ceremonies, in addition to the First Presidency were Governor R. L. Cochrane, of Nebraska, Mayor Dan Butler of Omaha (population 250,000), and Mr. Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific Railroad. A chorus of 150 Church members from Omaha and a quartette from Salt Lake City furnished music for the occasion.

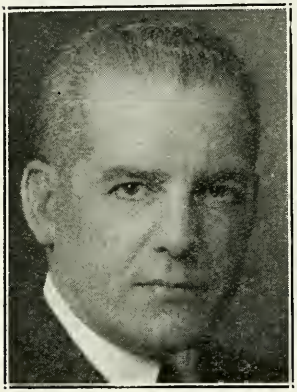
"In meeting here today to dedicate this memorial we are but acknowledging the debt we owe to the devoted men and women who gave their lives to the upbuilding of this western country," Mayor Butler stated in his address.

Governor Cochrane, in paying tribute to those buried in the cemetery said, "This ceremony is in keeping with the respect due those purposeful Pioneers who were first to leave their impress on the Christian civilization of the Great Plains. The Mormon migration has become epochal, signficant as an institution having an influence on the social standards of succeeding generations. I am humbly disposed to pay homage to the high purpose that inspired the heroic enterprise, and to look upon this field of unmarked mounds as symbolic of the sacrifice that life, in every scheme of endeavour, demands as the price for ultimate success."

Among those present at the dedication was Elder John B. Fairbanks, father of Elder Avard Fairbanks, sculptor of the monument, three of whose grandparents lie buried in the cemetery.—A. Z. Richards Jr.

A LONDONER IN UTAH

WHEN the *Queen Mary* left Southampton, May 27, 1936, on her maiden voyage to New York, one of the passengers was Mr. John Beharrell, managing director of Hawker and Botwood Ltd., and vice-president of the West Ham Rotary Club of London. Mr. Beharrell and his wife were en route to attend the Rotary International Convention in Atlantic City and to visit Mrs. Beharrell's sister, Mrs. John F. Oleson, wife of Elder John F. Oleson, bishop of the Second Ward in Payson, Utah.



John Beharrell

He has adopted a plan similar to that of the Church.

During his two-week visit to Utah, Mr. Beharrell attended a session of the June convention of the Mutual Improvement and Primary Associations of the Church, made a study of the Church Security Programme (*Star*, May 21) and toured the National Parks of Southern Utah. All of these experiences he related in a recent talk to members of the West Ham Rotary Club.

"Time does not permit me," he said, "to tell you all I should like of the Church of the Latter-day Saints, but I must assure you that the popular belief is altogether wrong, for never have I met such a happy band of people, with ideals that were lived every minute of their lives. If ever there was a perfect community it was here.

"Our visit extended to Salt Lake City, established by the Pioneers of the Church, and there I was privileged to read records of those early Pioneers, who had travelled in their covered wagons to this desert land, and had by their courage and their faith turned the desert into one of the richest states in America.

"You may have heard of the experiment which is now taking place by which they hope to solve the problem of unemployment. The Church has taken over the responsibility of the State for the payment of unemployment relief, not with the idea of relieving the poverty of unemployment, but with the more practical view of providing employment. This they hope to do by a 'back to the land' movement, which is so well organized it cannot fail to succeed.

"The Temple at Salt Lake City is a sacred building and is not open to visitors, but we were privileged to listen to a massed chorus singing in the Tabernacle, and it was the most impressive music I have heard, with a chorus of 8,000 voices, many of whom were little children."

Describing his trip to the Utah National Parks with Bishop and Sister Oleson, Mr. Beharrell told the Rotarians:

"Each had a magnificent setting, essentially its own, with

colourings that defy description. The real gem is Zion Canyon. We arrived here at nightfall and it was not until the morning when we looked out of the window of our log cabin, that we saw the grandeur of the mountains that towered away into the sky. If you ever visit America take my advice and spend at least one night and a day at Zion Canyon, and you will have seen one of the most inspiring spots in the world."

From the West

BATHED in the rays of the desert sun and towering 2,447 feet above the canyon floor, the Great White Throne in Zion Canyon thrilled the souls of the first Mormon Pioneers who saw it, as it does the tourist today. A photograph of this massive pinnacle, taken from the canyon bottom is shown on the front cover.

Zion Canyon, cut through a depth of more than 3,000 feet of white and red sandstone, is known among the Indians as *Mukuntuweap*, meaning straight canyon, and is the most spectacular gorge in Zion National Park, located about 250 miles south of Salt Lake City, in the heart of the country settled by the Mormon Pioneers. The Park contains many other fantasies of nature, and in 1919 was set aside by the United States as a National Park. Railroad and bus lines now accommodate the influx of European and American tourists who come to see these scenes of primitive beauty. Mr. Beharrell was one of 106,819 tourists who visited the Park during the first eight months of 1936.

As a result of his visit to Utah and observing the Church Security Programme, Mr. Beharrell adopted a similar plan among the employees of his factory. Every man has been given a plot of ground sufficiently large to provide the fruits and vegetables needed by his own family. In a letter to the *Deseret News*, he wrote, "The programme of the Church in assuming this responsibility will always remain in memory as the greatest lesson of my visit, a lesson that might be copied to advantage by every country of the world. It sets an example in social, economic and religious life—it proves that where there's a will there's a way."

The scheme adopted by Mr. Beharrell for his employees is described in the September issue of *Business* magazine. Of him, the article states:

John Beharrell, native of Hull, began business in a factory there, 6 a.m. till 5 p.m. As he progressed he developed an ardent desire to improve working conditions for those under him.

Today he is an ideal employer: says major object of management should be to study employees' welfare.

Controls one of the cleanest and most hygienic factories in trade. Awards monthly prizes to employees who keep shops and equipment in best condition.

Spends much of his time devising fresh improvements in pension scheme, workers' security, comfort and recanteen, and every point of creation.

Commenting for the *Star* on his visit to Utah Mr. Beharrell stated, "Thomas Hardy wrote: 'The exchange of international thought is the only possible salvation of the world.' Here is a case where the exchange of international thought and ideas has served a very practical purpose, bringing happiness to the homes of our workers."

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1936

EDITORIAL

THE BIBLE AND RELIGION

THE fact that nearly two million copies of the Bible will be sold this year is evidence of the intensity of mankind's interest in religion. It is logical that the Book of books should be the great "best seller," for it was the first ever printed from movable type (1450). "The burning passion of English men and women to read the Bible," it has been said, paved the way for its translation by William Tyndale in 1525. And so great was this intensity that it created a demand for forty editions of Tyndale's work within thirty years after his death. In those days, perhaps more than in these, religion was strong in men's hearts.

And what is religion? Religion is a thing eternal. It has been from the beginning, it will be to the end. Genuine religion can never die. It is merely men's views concerning it that change. Religion, being one of the instincts of humanity, reaches back to the beginning of the human race.

Religion, man's eternal search for the secret of life, is founded on faith. This unceasing search awakens within him the spirit of unselfishness, making it evident that giving is more blessed than receiving. Religion makes a life of truth, love and service, which is the richest, fullest, deepest life. It lifts us above sordid, commonplace, grinding and distressing circumstances into those things which are eternally joyful, beautiful and happy. And since we tend actually to become what we sincerely believe, since our thoughts touch and shape our method of living, it is important that our religious thoughts be right.

Since in man there is a spirit to which the Almighty gives understanding, we should be religious. Man has natural spiritual yearnings which religion alone can gratify. Spiritual vigour, that is, the consciousness of spiritual strength, is a source of helpful happiness which only religion can bring, it gives an exquisite joy that has no after sorrow. Duties that would otherwise be painful and burdensome are made felicitous and easy by it.

In these days when there appears to be misunderstanding everywhere, when on all sides are "wars and rumours of wars"; now, when the very existence of civilization is threatened, men should plead for a study and understanding and practice of the teachings of our Heavenly Father. These are today the crying needs of our unhappy and unsettled world.

While the fundamental instinct for religion is planted by the Creator in the hearts of all men, this instinct must be guided by revelation if it is to bring about the most desirable results. Feeling this religious urge man unaided may construct idols or systems of philosophy which are far from the true ways of worship. Men and women must not be satisfied with that simple comfort which comes as a result of merely turning their hearts to a higher power. They should strive, they should be determined to know

all that God has been willing to reveal to mankind both with regard to Himself and with regard to His desires concerning them.

But, it may very appropriately be asked, how are we to discover the divine purpose? What are we to do in order to satisfy or gratify our highest religious instincts?

The people of Tyndale's time attempted to satisfy their religious impulses by the reading, the studying and the learning of the inspired words and teachings in Holy Writ, by contemplating the wonders of the plan of salvation in accordance with which the early Christians struggled to live and by striving themselves to live in accordance with that divine plan.

Today, also, each one who reads these words may approach the divine source by studying and loving deeply the revealed word and living in accordance with its teachings, whether that revealed word was given in ancient times to men of another race and tongue, or whether it was given in modern times to men of our own race and of our own language. Obeying and loving this revealed word will lead to obedience and obedience will win heavenly inspiration and guidance. He who enjoys heavenly guidance and inspiration will secure salvation.

While people generally may not yield to the promptings of their true religious instincts, while they may not accept the revealed Gospel of Jesus Christ in time to ward off threatening disaster, yet, we are happy to be able to say that it is the blessed opportunity of every prayerful and courageous individual to gain here on earth that inner peace and satisfaction we all so much need and eternal life hereafter. In order to reach this happy and greatly desired condition individuals must foster their innate religious feeling, they must not only acquire but they must satisfy a passion for reading, studying and understanding the revealed word of God, and live by it to the end of their days.—RICHARD R. LYMAN.

DREAMS OR VAGARIES

DREAMS reveal the heights to which we may climb; vagaries show the abysses at our feet. The dream reveals interests which may become life-lines of interest attached to goals which connect the whole of life, giving purpose to it. The vagary or idle dream lets the lines sag because there is no goal to which it fastens itself.

Everything worthwhile has been first preceded by the dream of what could be. Long before Fulton used steam to propel his boat, the Arabs in their story of Aladdin's lamp had the constructive dream of what steam could do. Long before the Wright brothers modeled their airplane, the dream of flight existed among the Greeks in their myth of the flight of Icarus.

Idle day-dreaming brings disaster in its wake. It dissipates the faculties of those who indulge. They fritter away the talents which lie within them. Others who dream aright attach themselves to a great cause. They utilize their God-given qualities to better themselves and mankind.

Latter-day Saints have the power to attach their dreams to the cause which Jesus of Nazareth set forth when He walked the earth and following His path they can reach the road which leads to eternal perfection.—MARBA C. JOSEPHSON in the *Improvement Era*.

A NEW KIND OF PIONEERING

By Elder Parry D. Sorensen

IN London's *Daily Mirror* (1,100,000 circulation) of September 2, the following article appeared:

Rochdale Greys—Champions of the North of England League—are a team of missionaries.

Baseball followers know them as fine players and sportsmen, but how many know them as religious teachers?

Daily Mirror photo.

Catford Saints*

Last year, champions of Britain. This year, national runners-up.

These boys are missionaries of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in other words, Mormons.

They have worked and played themselves right into the hearts of the people. Not one of the team is more than 23, and not one gets a cent remuneration or expenses.

That article is typical of many which have appeared in the papers of the country during the past two years that Mormon missionary teams have been playing baseball in Great Britain, pioneering in introducing the American game to the sports-loving people of this country. Mormon missionaries and their baseball activities have furnished a fertile source of "copy" for the British press.

Active participation in athletics has always been a firm belief of the Latter-day Saints. It is encouraged through the Mutual Improvement Association programme, an auxiliary organization of the Church, which provides competition in many branches of sport. That baseball should prove to be a novel and effective means of conveying the message of Mormonism is very appropriate in view of the Church activity in the field of athletics.

When England's National Baseball Association was formed at a meeting in Liverpool in 1933, Elders William H. Houston and Harvey F. Freestone were present. Out of that meeting, called at the instance of Mr. John Moores, evolved the National Baseball Association.

Since the advent of the sport into Britain, the significance of

*Back row: Elders A. Fogg Harris, Angus I. Nicholson, M. Neff Smart, Donald Fowler, William F. Homer, John F. Kimball, Dean W. Francis. Front row: Elders Wendell J. Ashton, coach and manager, Delos Rowe, Frank E. Ellis, Christian Draayer, Blaine F. Bybee, Ormond S. Coulam.

the Gospel has been revealed to thousands who have seen the missionaries play. Their clean play, sportsmanship, and the manner in which they conducted themselves both on and off the field showed by example what Mormonism teaches and stands for. Mr. F. Blythe, of the National Umpire's Association presented a trophy to the Catford Saints (the London missionary team) for their sportsmanlike conduct during the season.

In 1935 Rochdale and Catford played in the final for the National Championship, with the latter team winning. More than 100 teams in Britain competed. This year, the Catford Saints were runners-up to White City for the National title. Rochdale won the North of England title. Another Latter-day Saint team, the Bradford M Men, won the championship of Leeds Amateur League.

Rochdale M Men*

Last year, national runners-up. This year, North of England champions.

In Rochdale, 24 people have been baptized in the past two and a half months. Approximately 400 people attend the weekly open-air meetings. Twice the number of non-members as members attend the Sunday night services, and an average of four cottage meetings are held each week. There are 400 *Star* subscribers in Rochdale.

The team played approximately 25 games during the season to crowds averaging between 4,000 and 5,000 people per game. Everyone knows them as Mormon missionaries and announcements of their meetings are printed in the baseball programmes.

When Rochdale and Oldham played for the North of England title August 15, a description of the game was broadcast on a regional B. B. C. programme. Following the game, friends of the team presented a gold watch to Elder Philip J. Badger, captain and pitcher.

Activities of the Catford Saints, who were the only amateurs competing in the London Major League, have been closely followed by the London dailies. Not only the team, but the individual members were subjects of numerous writeups. One article in the Lewisham *Borough News*, under a seven-column heading and running two full columns on the front page, told of

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*Back row: Mr. E. Day, Elders A. Norman Jensen, Stanley H. Heal, Vernon A. Cooley, Ellis Craig, Mr. Fred Birtwhistle, and Brother Frank Kelsh. Front row: Elders Richard S. Tanner, Clarence B. Cannon, Philip J. Badger, Franklin W. Gunnell, and Mr. Ted Hurst.

Elders M. Neff Smart and Edmund M. Evans, who were labouring in Lewisham at the time.

"They are members of the Catford Saints Baseball Club," it stated, "who have been introducing baseball to Lewisham at Catford for the past few months. But they did not come to England to introduce baseball. Their real purpose is to spread the Gospel of Mormonism in this country.

"Both are in their early twenties, and have given up good jobs to take up missionary work. The Mormon Church pays its evangelists nothing. All their work is done voluntarily. There is no question of compulsion. Both the two young men gave up their jobs willingly to take up a work which they regard as their duty."

Keystone Photo.

Elder John F. Kimball and an R. A. F. Cadet

Mormon missionaries helped introduce baseball to the Royal Air Force.

The writer of the article concluded by saying: "After meeting these two young missionaries and ambassadors from the United States, I feel that whatever the result of their mission the people of Lewisham, in whose midst they are, will like them."

And now, how about those whom the missionaries played and came in direct contact with during the season? An adequate answer can be found in a letter received by Elder Wendell J. Ashton, manager of the Catford Saints, from Mr. Ernest Ramus, secretary of the White City team:

We always looked forward to the battles with your team with the most pleasurable anticipation which the uncertainty of the results only served to enhance. We always hoped and needed to play our best against our L. D. S. friends. Most important of all, however, was the sporting spirit in which every game was played, and I regard those games in which I was privileged to participate against you last year as ample reward for the work which has devolved upon me in connection with baseball.

Although you came to this country as missionaries of your Church your success as ambassadors of goodwill has earned a special debt of gratitude from the general public both here and in the States. I hope the time will come when baseball will be a great national game in England so that young people of both our countries will have regular opportunities to visit one another and to match their skill and sportsmanship in a game which you have shown us can equal the tradition of cricket in both respects.

I trust that you will all take back with you nothing but pleasant memories of your sojourn here and that some day I shall have the

pleasure of renewing and improving upon this all too fleeting acquaintance with you.

Besides their regular games, several missionaries on all-star teams gave exhibitions during the season. One of these exhibitions was before cadets of the Royal Air Force.

Last winter London's first umpire school was conducted by Elders Wendell J. Ashton and M. Neff Smart, of the Catford Saints. Elder Ashton was also elected as London's representative to Britain's first National Baseball Council.

Elder John W. Bond, British Mission Secretary, made announcements and comments of the game at Catford Stadium during the season, over the public address system. At the final game with White City, he and Bob Bowman, well-known commentator of the B. B. C., shared the broadcasting duties together.

Those who have played baseball have proved that the Gospel of Jesus Christ can be preached by deed as well as by word. That men "will see their good works and glorify their Father in heaven" has been their supreme hope. The fruits of their labours are proof of their success.

THE QUEST FOR ETERNAL LIFE

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the authority to perform important temple ordinances in behalf of the dead. From time to time thereafter until his death, the Prophet Joseph Smith received revelations from God and His Son Jesus Christ.

It is not to be inferred that Mormonism alone provides the gateway unto salvation. It is believed that every man, woman and child, will receive immortality, for that is the legacy of Christ and the import of His sacrifice. That phase of salvation, however, known as exaltation or Eternal Life is a progressive process, and while every one will share in its glories, the degree of exaltation acquired will be dependent upon his or her own works. To regenerate the soul, one must discipline his life according to certain moral and spiritual criteria. In short, man must keep in tune with God by understanding God and His works. As a divinely inspired institution, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints embraces within its theology principles and ordinances emanating through revelation direct from God.—(Adapted from a radio sermon delivered over Station KSL in Salt Lake City.)

HULL DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICE

HULL District conference sessions will convene in Hull Branch Chapel, Wellington Lane, Hull, Sunday, October 18, at 10 and 11 a.m. and 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Presidents Richard R. Lyman and Joseph J. Cannon will be the principal speakers. An illustrated lecture, "Temples of God," will be presented in the same chapel Saturday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m.

Sessions of Scottish District Conference will convene Sunday, October 25, at 10 and 11 a.m., and 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. in Woodside Cooperative Hall, Clarendon Street, near St. George's Cross, Glasgow. Presidents Lyman and Cannon will be speakers. The illustrated lecture, "Temples of God," will be given in the Glasgow Branch hall, 7 Ashley Street, off Woodlands Road, Saturday, October 24, at 7 p.m.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

Emanating from the oldest home in Utah, on Temple Square in Salt Lake City, a one-hour international radio programme on the Mormon Pioneers was presented by National Broadcasting Company's network recently. Master of ceremonies was Mr. John B. Kennedy, nationally-known radio commentator. As part of the broadcast he interviewed Elder Lynn S. Richards, descendant of the original Mormon Pioneers and member of the general board of the Church Sunday School Union. Other programme participants were Miss Sylvia Cannon, daughter of President Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon and Queen of Salt Lake City's Covered Wagon Days, and a representative deacon from one of the Church Sunday Schools. Built in September, 1847 by Osmyn Deuel, Utah's oldest home became the headquarters in 1849 of Captain Howard Stansbury of the United States army, who surveyed Salt Lake Valley. The log cabin is now preserved under a pergola, in the shadows of Salt Lake Temple.

Statistics compiled recently by Elder Albert H. Reiser, General Secretary of the Deseret Sunday School Union, reveal that out of every 100 young Latter-day Saint men and women of college age, 22 to 25 attend college. Of 3,677 students registered at the University of Utah, 2,026 are Latter-day Saints. It is interesting to note that literacy among the Latter-day Saints is over 99.7 per cent. Also 60 in every 1,000 members of the Church attend high schools annually—more than three times the average for the United States.

Adopted recently by Kansas City, Missouri is a simplified plan for numbering streets developed by President Richard R. Lyman, who is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers' committee of three on the naming and numbering of streets. The plan makes it possible for a traveller to find any address in a city without the aid of a map. Los Angeles, California, America's fifth largest city, and Salt Lake County have also adopted the plan.

IRISH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

WITH more than 200 people present, three-fourths of them non-members, sessions of Irish District conference were held Sunday, October 11 in the Arcade Buildings, Belfast. President Joseph J. Cannon was principal speaker at the evening session, conducted by Brother Joseph Ditty, second counsellor in the district presidency.

The Latter-day Saint belief in universal salvation was explained by President Cannon. No just God, he declared, would condemn a man for a code of ethics he did not understand. Other evening speakers were Supervising Elder Dudley M. Leavitt, Sister Elizabeth Cornwall, and Elders Darrell L. Brady and Joseph W. Darling.

Afternoon session speakers, conducted by Brother Christian Steele, first counsellor in the district presidency, were Elders Austin M. Scott, Wendell C. Fowler, Norman E. Weston, Eldon T. Lindsay, Parley P. Giles, Victor L. Bingham, O. Clifford Merrill, Bertram T. Willis and Joseph H. Stout.

Morning speakers included Elders George W. Shupe, David C. Thomas, Norman H. Roberts, Harold P. Mogerly, Leonard L. Moffatt, Richard G. Smith, Anderson Moyes, Laurel T. Pugmire, Alvin B. Keddington, Robert S. Stevens, Theron L. Labrum and Clyde L. Barraclough. Brother Steele also conducted. Musical numbers were furnished by the Millennial Chorus.

A testimony meeting was also held in the morning. The illustrated lecture, "Temples of God," was presented Saturday evening.

Between the afternoon and evening meetings, an open-air meeting was held on the Customs House steps, conducted by Elder Fowler. Speakers were President Cannon, Elder Giles and Elder Brady.

FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Arrivals — Three new elders arrived on the s.s. *Washington* September 30 and were assigned to the following districts: Elder Clyde L. Barraclough (Salt Lake City, Utah), Millennial Chorus; Elder Bryant H. Croft (Salt Lake City, Utah), Hull; William W. Rainey (Los Angeles, California), Sheffield.

Releases— Elder Fred R. Glade, *Millennial Star* Circulation Manager, who also laboured in Newcastle District, was honourably released October 7 to return to his home in Salt Lake City. Elder E. Leon Mather will succeed Elder Glade.

Elder John R. Henderson, Jr. was honourably released October 6, to return to his home in Ogden, Utah. He laboured in Newcastle District and with the Millennial Chorus.

Appointment — Elder David Y. Rogers was appointed Supervising Elder of Liverpool District October 6.

Transfers—Elder Arlond T. Christensen was transferred from Birmingham District to the British Mission Office October 2.

Elder Karl Franklin Foster was recently transferred from Birmingham District to Manchester District.

Doings in the Districts: ***London***—Luton Branch M. I. A. activities began Thursday, September 17 with a meeting in charge of Y. M. M. I. A. President William A. Smith.

A mothers' and daughters' reunion social, conducted by President Ann M. Bickerstaff, was held Wednesday afternoon, September 30, at "Ravenslea," Southwest London Branch Hall by the Branch Relief Society. The programme was directed by Sisters Florence A. Bickerstaff and Winifred O. Bullock.

New officers sustained and set apart Sunday, October 4, at a Brighton Branch service under the direction of District President Andre K. Anastasion were: Brother Edmund W. Wheatley, branch president; Brothers Patrick Thompsett and W. Mitchell, counsellors; Sister Rose Stevens, branch clerk; Sister Margaret Stevens, Relief Society president; Sisters Lilly Crittenden and Elizabeth Thompsett, counsellors; Sister Kathleen M.

The Third Generation

"THREE generations ago, two Burnley men took their courage in their hands and sailed for the New World. One was Mr. Joseph Astin, son of a former licensee of the Sparrow Hawk Hotel, and the other was Mr. Charles J. Thomas, a musician of promise, who had had many of his compositions played at London concerts. Today their grandsons, Mr. J. Sterling Astin and Mr. David C. Thomas are in Burnley, visitors to this country with the Millennial Chorus of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints."

Such is the opening paragraph of an article appearing in the Burnley *Express and News* Saturday, October 3 under a two column picture of Elders J. Sterling Astin and David C. Thomas. It tells the story of their grandfathers, both born in Burnley, who accepted the Truths of the Gospel and emigrated to America. Elder Thomas's grandfather was once leader of the Tabernacle Choir. (*Star*, September 16.)

The 16 missionaries comprising the Chorus have now transferred their activities from Burnley to Belfast, Ireland, where they will remain for the next month. Elder Astin, who was honourably released October 5, has been succeeded as president of the group by Elder Dudley M. Leavitt.

Crittenden, secretary; Sister Julia B. Hedgecock, treasurer.

Scottish—New M. I. A. officers of Glasgow Branch, are Brother James H. Gemmell, Y. M. M. I. A. president; Brothers Robert Thompson and William A. Scott, counsellors, and Brother Robert McQueen, secretary; Sister Ethel C. Scott, Y. W. M. I. A. president; Sisters Margaret S. W. Thompson and Sarah M. Thompson, counsellors, and Siser Jessie F. Thompson, secretary.

Liverpool—At baptismal services held in Burnley Branch Chapel Sunday, September 20, the following were baptized and confirmed: Doreen Thorley, baptized by Elder Dale L. Barton and confirmed by Brother Robert Pickle; Harry Gregson, baptized and confirmed by Elder Barton; Jenny Sinfield, baptized by Elder Barton and confirmed by Elder J. Sterling Astin and Ada Helen Macauley, baptized by Branch President John R. Moore and confirmed by District President Fred Bradbury.

Concerts were given Wednesday, September 23, before Burnley Toc H Club, and Friday, September 25, at the Burnley Institute, by the Millennial Chorus.

Nottingham — Eastwood Branch Relief Society sponsored a supper under the direction of President Ivy Fletcher in the branch hall, Saturday, October 3.

Four speakers treated the theme "Spiritual Harvest" at the Hucknall Branch Harvest Thanksgiving service held Sunday, October 4, under the direction of Branch President Edward A. Wright.

Norwich—Branch President Frederick Tuttle, Brothers Christopher Fairhead Bert Martins and Elder Seth H. Young were speakers at the Harvest Festival services held Sunday, September 27, in Norwich Branch Chapel. The opening social of Norwich Branch M. I. A. was conducted Tuesday evening, September 29, by Y. M. M. I. A. President Wilfred Burrell.

Sheffield—More than forty people attended the opening M. I. A. social of Sheffield Branch held recently under the direction of Y. W. M. I. A. and Y. M. M. I. A. Presidents Rose B. Bailey and Harry V. Bailey.

DEATH

BAILEY—Brother Enoch Bailey, 62, husband of Sister Edna Bailey, for many years member of Hanley Branch passed away August 20 at London Road Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent. Interment took place Saturday, August 22, in Burslem Cemetery.

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